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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Monday, 26 November 1956

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Amory, Col. White,  
Messrs. Helms, Kirkpatrick, [redacted] Bissell,  
Sheldon, Gen. Truscott, [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

25X1 a) Noted that [redacted] a former Agency employee who had  
25X1 resigned to run for Congress [redacted] had spoken to him  
25X1 about re-joining the Agency. The Director said Mr. [redacted] had  
25X1 indicated he might possibly be asked to run again and he (DCI)  
25X1 had therefore made no commitment but advised [redacted] that he  
should make up his mind whether he wished a CIA or political  
career.

b) Referred to an article in yesterday's New York Times  
by John MacCormac regarding Major General Bela Kiraly and said  
it would be interesting to get General Kiraly's comments.  
ACTION: Mr. Helms

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c) Referred to Bulganin's note to Nehru and asked  
Mr. Sheldon to prepare comments which he might send to the  
President.

25X1 d) Noted he had received a letter from [redacted]  
25X1 [redacted] and asked Mr. [redacted] to send copies to DD/P for  
25X1 Tracy Barnes, DD/I, Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey, Gabe  
Hauge and Bill Martin (Federal Reserve Board). The Director  
commented Mr. Barnes should be advised that he did not intend  
to make any reply to this letter.

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25X1 e) Noted the letter he had received from [redacted] on  
25X1 23 November 1956 and asked Messrs. [redacted] and Helms to  
prepare a proposed reply for his signature.

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25X1 f) Handed Mr. Helms a letter he had received [redacted]  
[redacted] Ambassador and asked him to furnish copies to DD/I  
and others who might be interested in seeing it. The Director  
25X1 noted he did not believe he would make a reply, however, he  
would like Mr. Helms' recommendation.

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25X1 g) Referred to a cable [redacted] respecting [redacted]  
return PCS to headquarters and commented that in view of the  
tight situation he did not believe he should return "right away"  
and further, a good deal of care should be exercised in  
selecting his replacement.

Mr. Amory:

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a) Noted it was about time for [ ] to return to headquarters on TDY, but in view of the current world situation he felt this should be postponed for the time being. The Director agreed.

b) Stated he hoped U.S. would take a firm stand with the Soviets regarding their announcement to inspect allied trains in Germany and their threat to enter U.S. legations (by force if necessary) in the USSR and satellite countries.

In connection with the latter, Mr. Amory noted the possibility of the Russians attempting to remove Cardinal Mindszenty from the U.S. legation in Budapest. The Director agreed with DD/I's comments and indicated his intention of discussing this with Herbert Hoover.

Mr. Sheldon:

Reported that the following arrangements have been made to transmit material to the President while in Augusta:

- 1) Courier service leaving Washington each day about 2:15 AM;
- 2) Additional courier run leaving Washington each day about 8:30 AM;
- 3) Top Secret material may be transmitted by wire 24 hours a day;
- 4) A special security office has been established at Camp Gordon for the purpose of receiving special intelligence;
- 5) The President may be reached by telephone through the White House switchboard. Note: This method is not secure. The Director commented he had talked with Col. Goodpaster this morning and advised him things are coming to a head in Syria and and possibly there might be a coup (advantageous to the Soviets) in that country within the next three days;
- 6) All material sent to the White House for transmission to the President should be in duplicate

Mr. Helms:

25X1 Referred to [ ] desire to return to the Agency  
and suggested a non-CIA assignment. The Director commented  
25X1 this suggestion had merit and asked Mr. [ ] to remind him  
to consider passing it along.

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